

ANN E. LAWTON

Artist. Art Therapist. Art Educator.

EDUCATION

Masters of Science

Art Therapy

Mount Mary University

Milwaukee, WI—May 2011

Bachelors of Science

Broad Area Art Major,

Psychology Minor

UW—River Falls

River Falls, WI—May 2008

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Registered Art Therapist: ATR #14-281

American Art Therapy Association

Wisconsin Art Therapy Association

Minnesota Art Therapy Association

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PRESENT POSITIONS

Lecturer of Art | August 2011 – Present

University of Wisconsin – River Falls (UWRF)

Art Department, Honors Program

UWRF Violence Prevention Coordinator | September 2020 - Present

Assistant Director of UWRF Undergraduate Research, Scholarly, and Creative Activities (URSCA) | January 2020 - Present

Art Therapist | August 2013 - present

Student Health and Counseling Services, UWRF

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Wisconsin–River Falls | Lecturer of Art

Art Department, Honors Program | August 2011-Present

Courses Taught

ART 100: Introduction to Visual Art

CAS 101: First Year Adventure

HON 190: Honors Seminar

ART 121: 2D Design Foundations

ART 131: Drawing I

ART 131: Drawing II

ART 330: Studio Drawing

ART 292: Intro to Art Therapy

ART 485: Senior Art Seminar

ART 289: Special Topics

HON 497: Senior Honors Seminar

ART 499: Independent Study

Academic Service

2019-2022: Elected Member of the Academic Staff Council

2015-Present: College of Arts and Sciences First Year Teaching Fellow

2015-2017: Women and Gender Studies Curriculum Committee

2014-Present: Faculty Advisor for the Art Therapy Club

2011-Present: BFA Thesis Review Committee

Awards

2018

Recipient of UWRF College of Arts and Sciences Award for Excellence in Teaching

Community Education

2013-2019

Fox Den Books, River Falls, WI | Art Educator

Designed and facilitated focused art sessions for children, teens and adults

2016-2017

Ellsworth Public Library, Ellsworth, WI | Art Educator

Designed and facilitated art experiences for middle school students

2011-2012

Free Arts Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN | Art Educator

Facilitated art group for at-risk children and teenagers

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 2021 (Forthcoming) **Guest Artist and Workshop Facilitator** | Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec
- 2020 **Workshop Facilitator** | Northern Clay Center, Minneapolis, MN
Guest Artist | Sketchbook Skool on Instagram Live
Podcast Guest | Yin Yoga Lifestyle, “Healing and Art Therapy”
Guest Artist and Juror | St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN
Guest Artist | Augsburg University, Minneapolis, MN
Workshop Facilitator | The National Voice of Domestic Violence, Denver, CO
- 2019 **Author** | *Feminism, Intersectionality, Inclusiveness and Critical Pedagogy*, NCECA Journal, Vol. 40
Author | Review of the book *The Art Therapist’s Guide to Social Media*, by Gretchen M. Miller.
Art Therapy: The Journal of the American Art Therapy Association
Podcast Guest | College Art Association of America, “Work-Life Balance”
Guest Artist | Sketchbook Skool Live! Show and Tell Interview, YouTube
- 2018 **Participant** | River Falls Art Crawl, River Falls, WI
Participant | Ekphrastic 3, SooVac Gallery, Minneapolis, MN
Group Exhibition | *Artist Identity*, Elle Studios, Milwaukee, WI
Juror and Reviewer | Visual Arts Classic, UW-Madison, Madison, WI
Guest Artist and Presenter | Gallery 96, Shoreview, MN
Guest Artist and Presenter | Westfields Hospital, New Richmond, WI
Juror | Wisconsin Regional Art Exhibit and Workshop, River Falls, WI
Workshop Facilitator | Ellsworth WI High School Teacher In-Service
Juror | Gallery 96 *Motion-Emotion* Exhibition, Shoreview, MN
- 2017 **Group Exhibition** | Hudson Hospital, Hudson, WI
Participant | River Falls Art Crawl, River Falls, WI
Group Exhibition | Bernice Ficek-Swenson Retrospective, UWRF
Participant | Ekphrastic 2.0, SooVac Gallery, Minneapolis, MN
Solo Exhibition | *Untranslatable*, Westfield Hospital, New Richmond, WI
Artist Residency | BreckCreate, Breckenridge, CO
Commission | River Falls Utility Box Beautification Project, River Falls, WI
Juried Exhibition | 2nd Place Winner, ArtsWest 38, Eau Claire, WI
- 2016 **Duo Exhibition** | with Brittany Polzin, Breakaway Arts, Hastings, MN
Group Exhibition | UWRF Art Dept. Faculty Show, The Phipps, Hudson, WI
Juried Exhibition | Nt’l Parks: Personal Perspective, The Phipps, Hudson, WI
Juror | 44th Annual Mid-Winter Art Show, New London, WI
- 2015 **Guest Artist and Presenter** | Wolf River Art League, New London, WI
Guest Artist and Presenter | Gallery 224, Port Washington, WI
Juror | Art on the Kinni Art Fair, River Falls, WI
- 2013-
2011 **Group Exhibition** | UWRF Art Dept. Faculty Show, The Phipps, Hudson, WI
Facilitator | *Will You Make Art with Us?* Millennium Park, Chicago, IL
Featured Artist | *The Original Show*, Flow Art Space, Minneapolis, MN
Group Exhibition | *Witness Identities Unfolding*, MMU, Milwaukee, WI

ART THERAPY PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2019-Present **Camp Reunite for Children of Incarcerated Parents**
Cambellsport, WI | Art Therapist
- 2020-Present **Lakewood Cemetery**
Minneapolis, MN | Art Therapist for Grief Processing Workshops
- 2019-2020 **Brittany's Place—Shelter for Trafficked and Solicited Girls**
St. Paul, MN | Art Therapist
- 2018 **Crisis Response Team / Mental Health Responder**
Barron, WI | Art Therapist
- Crisis Response Team / Mental Health Responder**
River Falls, WI | Art Therapist
- 2014 **BRIDGE for Youth with Disabilities**
River Falls, WI | Art Therapist
- 2013-2015 **Turningpoint for Victims of Domestic and Sexual Violence**
River Falls, WI | Art Therapist
- 2013-2015 **St. Croix County Jail**
Hudson, WI | Art Therapist
- 2011 **Milwaukee Art Museum and SE Wisconsin Epilepsy Foundation**
Milwaukee, WI | Graduate Art Therapy Intern
- 2011 **Aurora St. Luke's Medical Center**
Milwaukee, WI | Graduate Art Therapy Intern
- 2010 **Mount Mary University Cross-Cultural Internship**
Arequipa, Peru | Graduate Art Therapy Intern
- 2010 **Bel Air Care Center**
Milwaukee, WI | Graduate Art Therapy Intern

ART THERAPY SPECIALTIES

Individual, Group Therapy with Children,
Adolescence, and Young Adults

Depression, Anxiety, and Mood Disorders

Trauma, Grief, Crisis, and Life Transitions

Gender Identity and Sexuality

ART THERAPY APPROACHES

Adlerian, Person-Centered, Cognitive Behavioral

Art as Therapy, Art Psychotherapy, and
Therapeutic Artmaking

Community-Based Art Therapy

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- 2020 **Annual Wisconsin Art Therapy Association Spring Symposium | Milwaukee, WI**
Presenter | “The Art Therapist’s Sketchbook” *Cancelled due to COVID-19
- 2019 **Annual Wisconsin Art Therapy Association Spring Symposium | Milwaukee, WI**
Presenter | “Art Therapist and Accidental Adjunct: Inclusive and Critical Pedagogies in Undergraduate Art Therapy Education”
- Claytopia, National Counsel of Education for the Ceramic Arts | Minneapolis, MN**
Keynote Panelist | “YES. SHE. CAN.” Chipstone Keynote Panel, Ann E. Lawton, Angelica Pozo, Adrienne Spinozzi, Rebecca Sive
- Breakout Session Presenter | “The Truths We Share” Addressing sexual assault and violence in artist communities and disciplines
- Critical Pedagogy in Arts Therapies Conference
The Metropolitan Museum of Art | New York, New York**
Panelist | “Lineage & Legacy Emergent Panel”
- 2018 **Sketchkon | Pasadena, CA**
Presenter | “Respect the Mess”
- 2017 **UW System Conference on Teaching and Learning | La Crosse, WI**
Panelist | “Accommodating Learning, Maintaining Academic Integrity and Balancing an Active Professional Practice.” Panel session, Ann E. Lawton, Lyz Wendland, Rhonda Willers
- 2016 **Annual Wisconsin Art Therapy Association Spring Symposium | Milwaukee, WI**
Panelist | “Integrative Care that Treats the Whole Person.” Keynote panel
Presenter | “Creative Escape: Group Art Therapy with Women Inmates in a County Jail Setting”
- TEDxUWRiverFalls | River Falls, WI**
Presenter | “Art as Empowerment: The Virtue of Art Therapy”
- 2014 **Bridges: Building Bridges for the Future for Professionals and Caregivers of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Children, Illinois State University | Bloomington-Normal, IL**
Presenter | “Art and the Fountain of Youth: The Self and Soul Care of Art Making”
- 2013 **International Congress of Persons in Medicine and Healthcare: Science and Art and the 3rd Croatian Congress on Prevention and Rehabilitation in Psychiatry, Croatian Society for Protection and Improvement of Mental Health | Dubrovnik, Croatia**
Presenter | “The Essence of Reflective Creation: The Importance of Personal Art Making and Professional Self-Care in the Mental Health Field.”
- 2012 **Institute of Puerto Rican Arts and Culture | Chicago, IL**
Presenter | “Art Therapy: An Open Dialogue”
- 2011 **Aurora System Nurse Symposium | Milwaukee, WI**
Presenter | “Art Therapy in the Medical Setting”